

Today's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

(Under the Management of EDWIN GRACE.)

STARTING
TO-MORROW SATURDAY NIGHT
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The First appearance in Hongkong of
THE GREAT LONDON ARTIST
CARL HERTZ,
CARL HERTZ,
CARL HERTZ,

THE GREATEST LIVING CONJURER
Assisted by the Charming and Graceful
MIDLE DALTON,
From the Crystal Palace and Alhambra Theatres,
Eden Theatre, Paris, and
The World's Principal Theatres.

CARL HERTZ,
In his great
Laughter-Producing Entertainment
An Illusion
That sets the
Thames on Fire
You are not to Up-to-Date if you fail to see
the Original and Marvellous

CINEMATOGRAFHE.

THE CRAZE OF WEST.

Including the Great "Star" Picture
THE DEATH OF NELSON.

Being a truly marvellous representation of
the sad and heroic death of England's greatest
Admiral which cannot fail to create a profound
impression upon the populace of Hongkong.

RECEIVES THREE CALLS NIGHTLY.
EVERYWHERE.

PRICES:—Dress Circle \$3, Stalls \$2 (may
be reserved), Pit \$1.

Box Plan now open at the ROBINSON PIANO
Co's Warehouse, where seats can be booked
(and the Tickets obtained) six nights in
advance.

A Late Train for the Peak will leave each
evening fifteen minutes after the termination of
the performance.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (439)

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"TUCCER."

Captain Reley, will be despatched on
SUNDAY, the 3rd instant, at Daylight.
For Freight, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (438)

NORDEUTSCHER LOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"PRINZ HEINRICH."

Captain O. Cappers, due here with the outward
German mail about the 6th inst. will leave for
the above place about 24 hours after arrival.
For further Particulars apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (435)

NORDEUTSCHER LOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND NAGASAKI.

(Passing through the INLAND SEA.)
THE Company's Steamship

"OHNEZOLLERN."

Captain H. Blocker, will leave for the above Ports
on about THURSDAY, the 7th inst.
For further Particulars apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (432)

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, BORDEAUX
AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENUTRET."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk into the
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf
and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon,
whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before Noon
TO-DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 8th
inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Consignees are requested to present all Claims
for damages and/or shortages not later than
the 15th inst. otherwise they will not be
recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (437)

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVI-
GATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND
SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"KINTUCK."

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed at their risk into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon,
whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be
sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before
Noon on the 7th instant, or they will not be
recognized.

All broken, chipped, and damaged Goods are
to be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on THURSDAY the 7th instant at
3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any
Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 7th
instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (436)

Today's Advertisements.

MITSU BISHI GOSHI-KWAISHA.

(MITSU BISHI COMPANY).

NOTICE.

DURING the absence of the Undersigned
Mr. EDWARD OSBORNE will act as Agent
for the above named Company.
H. U. JEFFRIES,
Agent.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (440)

CRICKET CLUB LAWN TENNIS

TOURNAMENT.

PLAY in the above will commence TO-
MORROW (SATURDAY).
Lists of the HANDICAPS can be had in the
Pavilion.

A. F. SKELTON,
Hon. Sec. L. T. Sub-Committee.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (431)

NOTICE.

MR. FAZAL RAHIMBOY being about to
leave for Bombay, Mr. CURMALLY
ABDOOLAH will conduct the business and sign
the name of our firm in China.
C. ABDOOLA & CO.,
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (432)

NOTICE.

MR. ARTHUR LYMAN MACGOWAN
is authorized to sign our Firm in
HONGKONG & SWATOW by procuration from
this date.

BRADLEY & CO.,
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (433)

PROSPECTUS—DEBENTURE ISSUE.

THE
TAKU TUG & LIGHTER CO., LTD.

Incorporated on 9th September, 1895, under the
COMPANIES ORDINANCES (HONGKONG).

CAPITAL.

Tails 500,000, divided into 10,000 Shares of
Tails 50 each, of which 8,000—Tails 400,000,
have been issued.

PRESENT ISSUE.

2,500 Debentures of Tails 100 each—Tails
250,000, bearing interest at 6% payable half-
yearly—optional to the Company after 30th
JUNE, 1901, to give six months' notice, and
repay the Debentures at par, by drawings in
such amounts as the Directors may determine.

THE Directors of the TAKU & LIGHTER
CO. (LIMITED) are authorized to make
the present issue of Debentures in virtue of a
Resolution passed at an EXTRAORDINARY
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS held on 26th
NOVEMBER, 1897, in the following terms:—

"That sanction be and is hereby given to the
Directors to borrow for the purposes of the Com-
pany, Tails 250,000 at 6 per cent. interest, the
principal and interest to be secured by Deben-
tures, creating a first charge upon the present
fleet and property of the Company."

The Debentures and Interest shall be a first
charge on the present fleet (exclusive of the
"Sultan") and property of the Company, and
shall be secured by a Conveyance to Trustees
and relative Deed of Settlement. The first pay-
ment of interest will be made on 30th June next,
and after that half-yearly on 31st December and
30th June.

The Debentures shall be registered in the
Books of the Company and shall be transferable
by an Instrument of Transfer signed by both
the transferor and transferee duly entered in the
Register of the Company.

The Fleet of the Company consists of 14 tugs
and 30 lighters, and the Property of land and
buildings at Tientsin and Taku, Docks, Ma-
chinery &c., approximating in value Tails
1,000,000.

The Company's Reserves on the 31st Decem-
ber last, as published in the Annual Accounts,
were:—

Reserve Fund..... Tls. 70,000 00
Depreciated Account..... 105,538 31
Equalization of Dividend... 14,000 00
Insurance Fund..... 25,215 22
Balance carried to 1898... 5,357 28

Tails 1,115,112 36

The Company since its incorporation in 1889
—besides writing off annually a simple depreciation
—has distributed substantial dividends, and the
present Debentures are issued for the purpose
of paying for additions to the fleet and property,
accelerated by the increasing trade of the Port.

The Debentures will be issued on 15th April
next, and preference will be given to the Share-
holders of the Company. Applications for
Debentures must be made on the accompany-
ing form, and in the event of those exceeding
the number to be issued, the allotment will be
made in proportion to the number of shares
held in the Company, and the number of
Debentures applied for.

Tientsin, 17th March, 1898. (444)

INSURANCE HOLIDAYS.

THE Undersigned INSURANCE
OFFICES will be CLOSED for the
Transaction of Public Business at FRIDAY,
the 8th instant. (GOOD FRIDAY) and on MON-
DAY, the 10th instant (Easter Monday).
JARDINE MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.
General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.
N. J. EDE,
Secretary.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LD.
W. H. PERCIVAL,
Agent.

NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE CO., LD.
W. H. RAY,
Secretary.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LD.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

YAMATSEI INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LD.
J. E. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.
W. H. T. DAVIS,
Manager.

THE STRAITS INSURANCE CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (445)

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).

THE Company's Steamship

"ESMERALDA."

Captain Taylor, will be despatched for the above
Port on MONDAY, the 6th instant, at 5 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric
Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1898. (446)

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY.

VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-
parison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, RESTAURANTS,
and other Large Consumers.
Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. (430)

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG
TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY
REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS
MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,

LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES & SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London
House, bought direct at first hand, imported in
wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all
intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply
the best goods at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on
Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month
before use. When required for drinking at
once it should be ordered to be decanted at
the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are
true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest
priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine
product of the juice of the grape and are
not artificially made from raisins and
currants, as is generally the case with Cheap
Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to
be pure Cognac, the difference in price
being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent
quality and of greater age than most brand,
in the market. THE SCOTCH WHISKY
marked "E" is universally popular, and is
pronounced by the best local connoisseurs
to be superior to any other brand in the
Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to
be genuine when bought direct from us in the
Canton or from our authorized Agents at the
Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.,
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1897. (437)

MARRIAGE.

On the 10th ult., at the Chapel of the British
Embassy, Vienna, by the Rev. Canon Teigmo-
nth Shore, Chaplain-in-Ordinary to the Queen,
assisted by the Rev. W. H. Hechler, Chaplain
to the Embassy, EYRE, widow of Major Wallace
VON SIBOLD, Austrian Diplomatic Service, of
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conservatism and progressivism, between
oppression and liberal government.
From this same struggle arises the
later though more momentous ques-
tion of American intervention in Cuba.
Thus it may be said that the whole world
is divided into two camps, the one wishing
to march with the times, or, perhaps, even
(to give the enemy their due) a little too
much ahead of the times; the other, as
we consider, too much bound up with ob-
solete and impractical principles.

From the first we have consistently en-
deavoured to make the most of the
possibilities of preserving the peace. We
are bound, however, to admit that at
present the sky is far from bright. It
certainly does look as if each of the four
questions above indicated may lead to
serious war. As between Russia and Great
Britain, with whatever allies each may
have, we still feel certain that at the ele-
venth hour war will be averted as it was
in 1884.

We publish to-day a most interesting
article from the *Liverpool Courier* on the
subject of Hongkong's unsafe position. It
is exactly what we have said over and
over again and it is reassuring to find
that at last the British public is
having its eyes opened to the
reality of the danger. From the first
establishment of a branch of the Navy
League in Hongkong we have always
said that the British public would attach
considerable weight to any well-considered
and forcibly-presented arguments from
here; for Hongkong's position in Asia is
unique. It is pleasant, therefore, to find
in what glowing terms the great *Liverpool*
paper speaks of the Hongkong Navy
League and its good work. We have
no doubt that the League deserves at
any rate some credit for having so ob-
tained the despatch of such a vessel as
the *Victorious* to the China Station. The
Victorious is by far the most powerful bat-
tle-ship in the East, being bigger and
heavier than the Japanese battle-ships *Fuji*
and *Yasima*, which hitherto outclassed
anything in these waters.

But that is not enough. We can rule
the seas perhaps, and that was enough in
the old days, the days of St. Vincent,
Aboukir, and Trafalgar; that was nearly
a century ago, we had almost said before
Salgon and Vladivostok were discovered;
at any rate before they were of any im-
portance. In those days we had fleets
which could go anywhere and could refit
wherever there was timber to be had, that
is to say practically anywhere in the
world. We have now a fleet which is
helpless without coal, and coal, as
we have been showing our foreign
friends of late, is not to be picked up every-
where. Our coal has to be protected, and
Hongkong is not protected as it should be.
As the *Liverpool Courier* points out, it is not
impossible that a bold and fairly lucky
foe could set fire to our coal stores, ruin
our docks and arsenals without ever
coming within sight or range of the
defenders of Hongkong, and it might
be done in such a way that a hundred
vessels like the *Victorious* could not prevent
it. The Navy League has yet much work
to do, and this little encouragement from
the *Liverpool* paper should only stimulate
the League to further efforts.

Since writing the above, we find our
pacific prognostications confirmed by a
telegram translated from a French con-
temporary. "No news is good news,"
but this news is better.

TELEGRAMS.

(From *Tonkin Papers*.)

FRANCE AND CHINA.

IMPORTANT DECLARATION

BY M. HANOTAUX.

PARTITION TO BE AVOIDED.

PARIS, March 25th.

M. Hanotaux, Minister for Foreign
Affairs, is reported to have been interview-
ed by a representative of the Press, on the
subject of the China crisis. The Minister
is represented as being of the opinion that
the negotiations now in progress with
regard to the Far East would last a long
time before a settlement could be effected.
Asked for an expression of his views as
to the partition of China, he pronounced
himself decidedly of opinion that dis-
memberment must be avoided, and that
it was absolutely necessary to preserve
the integrity of the Empire.

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